

How To Use What God Has Given You

"Wisdom And Wealth", Part 3 of 3
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"Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. Each man should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work." (2 Corinthians 9:6-8, NIV)

I) HOLD THE RIGHT ATTITUDE ABOUT MONEY

1) Money usage reflects your true HEART.

"Wherever your treasure is, there your heart and thoughts will also be."
(Luke 12:34, LB)

2) Money usage represents your true OBEDIENCE.

"Whoever is faithful in small matters will be faithful in large ones... If, then, you have not been faithful in handling worldly wealth, how can you be trusted with true wealth?"
(Luke 16:10-11, TEV)

3) Money usage reveals your true FAITH.

"But remember the Lord your God, for it is He who gives you the ability to produce wealth..."
(Deuteronomy 8:18a, NIV)

II) TAKE THE RIGHT ACTION WITH MONEY

1) Give the first 10% OF YOUR INCOME TO GOD.

"Bring to my storehouse a full tenth of what you earn.... Test me in this', says the Lord."
(Malachi 3:10a, NCV)

"On the Lord's Day you should put aside something from what you have earned during the week, and use it for this offering. The amount depends on how much the Lord has helped you earn."
(1 Corinthians 16:2, LB)

*"The purpose of tithing is to teach you to always put God first in your life."
(Deuteronomy 14:23, LB)*

2) Pay the second 10% OF YOUR INCOME TO YOURSELF.

"The wise man saves for the future..."
(Proverbs 21:20a, LB)

"Dishonest money dwindles away, but he who gathers money little by little makes it grow."
(Proverbs 13:11, NIV)

3) Use the remaining 80% OF YOUR INCOME FOR LIVING.

"Riches can disappear fast... so watch your business interests closely. Know the state of your flocks and herds."
(Proverbs 27:23-24, LB)

"Give to Caesar what is Caesar's, and to God what is God's."
(Matthew 22:21, NIV)

III) HAVE THE RIGHT ANTICIPATION ON MONEY

"And my God will meet all your needs according to his glorious riches in Christ Jesus."
(Philippians 4:19, NIV)

"Honor the Lord by giving Him the first part of all your income, and He will fill your barns... to overflow!"
(Proverbs 3:9-10, LB)

"Bring to my storehouse a full tenth of what you earn... Test me in this', says the Lord. 'I will open the windows of heaven for you and pour out all the blessings you need.'"
(Malachi 3:10, NCV)

***How will you use all that God has given you?**